

REMARKS

This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is being submitted at the request of Supervisory Patent Examiner Amy Nelson and puts the claims in form for allowance as suggested by Supervisory Patent Examiner Amy Nelson on November 7, 2003. Applicant respectfully submits that this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment will not unduly interfere with the preparation of the first Office Action.

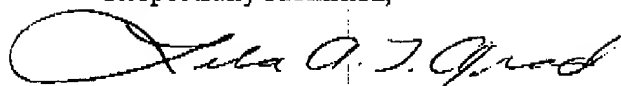
The present application relates to inbred maize line 34G13. Claims 5-56 have been canceled. Claims 8-19, 21-32 and 34-40 were previously canceled in the Amendment submitted on April 14, 2003. Applicant acknowledges the addition of new claims 57 through 70 as suggested by Supervisory Patent Examiner Amy Nelson on November 7, 2003. The new claims do not add new matter as there is support for the claims in the originally filed specification. Support for the specific items noted in the claims can be found within the specification for *Bacillus thuringiensis* on page 47; for imidazolinone, sulfonylurea, glyphosate, glufosinate, L-phosphinothricin, triazine, and benzonitrile on pages 49-50; for phytase on page 50; for stearyl-ACP desaturase, fructosyltransferase, levansucrase, alpha-amylase, invertase, starch branching enzyme, and increased amylose starch on pages 50-51. Applicant acknowledges that claims 57-70 have been agreed upon as allowable by Supervisory Patent Examiner Amy Nelson as aforementioned, thereby placing these claims in form for allowance. Applicant has canceled all non-allowable claims thereby placing the application in condition for allowance and has complied with all requirements of form set forth in previous office actions. Entry of this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment and approval of the changes is respectfully requested.

In conclusion, Applicant submits in light of the above amendments and remarks, the claims as amended are in a condition for allowance, and reconsideration is respectfully requested. If it is felt that it would aid in prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number indicated to discuss any outstanding issues.

No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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